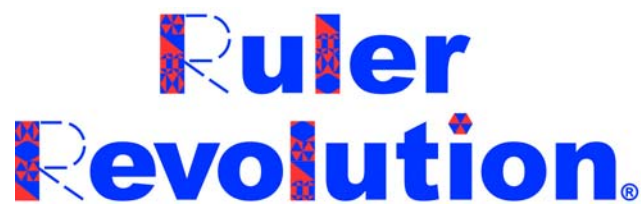


Basic Sticks and Stones™ Block



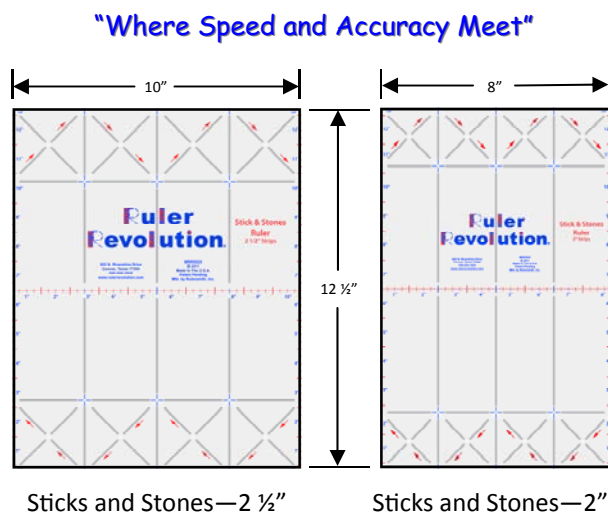
Congratulations on your selection of another revolutionary tool from Ruler Revolution that you will find useful with many patterns on the market. Using the Ruler Revolution Sticks and Stones ruler and technique, you mark the sew lines and cut lines first, sew on the larger pieces of fabric, then cut and trim. The result is a perfect rectangle block with a triangle on one or both ends that is accurate and repeatable — plus you make multiple units at one time. No bias edges to stretch or skew and no small pieces to position and try to sew. Enjoy!

Tip Spray starching will help stabilize the fabric, minimize loose threads along seam edges, and assist in obtaining clean, crisp cuts and sew lines throughout the piecing process. An accurate $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance is essential for all quilt piecing.

Sticks and Stones the Ruler Revolution Way

Tip To see the Ruler Revolution Sticks and Stones ruler demonstrated, go to the Ruler Revolution website at www.rulerrevolution.com and view the videos.

1. Select two coordinating fabrics. Cut the large piece of focus fabric either 8" wide (2" ruler) or 10" wide ($2\frac{1}{2}$ " ruler) and measuring the length of the desired un-sewn unit. See Diagram A using $2\frac{1}{2}$ " ruler.
2. Cut the fabric for the triangle ends of the rectangle either 2" or $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 8" or 10" long, depending on which ruler you have. For example, if you have the Sticks and Stones— $2\frac{1}{2}$ " ruler, make your strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 10" long. For the 2" ruler, you would cut your strip 2" x 8". See Diagram A using $2\frac{1}{2}$ " ruler.
3. Position the fabric pieces right sides together for marking and sewing as shown in Diagram B.



2 1/2" versus 2"

Each Ruler Revolution Sticks and Stones ruler has been designed to produce multiple un-sewn units of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " or 2" wide and up to $12\frac{1}{2}$ " long. For example:

- Sticks and Stones $2\frac{1}{2}$ " — 2" finished unit.
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- Sticks and Stones 2" — $1\frac{1}{2}$ " finished unit

Otherwise, the technique to make the rectangle block with a triangle at one or both ends using either ruler is the same.



Diagram A

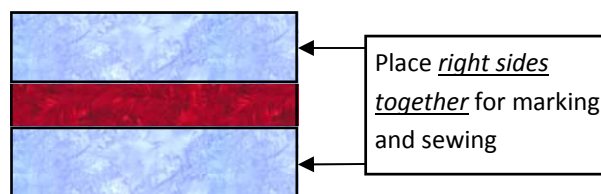


Diagram B

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- Place the Ruler Revolution Sticks and Stones ruler on top of the fabric pieces as shown in Diagram C.
- Using a fabric marking pencil, mark a line through the slots in the ruler in each of the hi-lited diagonal and vertical slots as shown in Diagram C.
- Slide the Sticks and Stones ruler up until the bottom of the ruler lines up with the bottom of the fabric and mark a line through each of the hi-lited diagonal and vertical slots as shown in Diagram D.
- After marking the lines through the slots in the rulers, take the fabric stack to the sewing machine and sew straight down and on top of the diagonal lines. Turn and sew the next diagonal line. There is no need to cut the thread as you turn. **DO NOT** sew the vertical lines. See Diagram E.

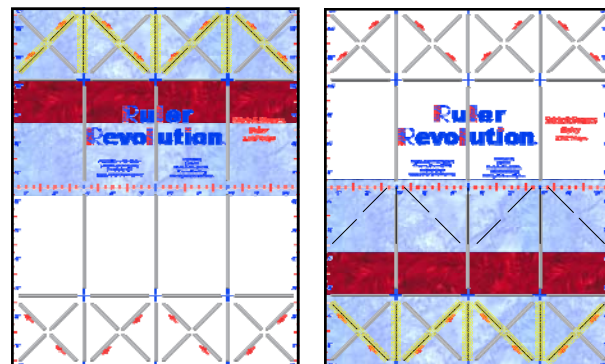


Diagram C

Diagram D

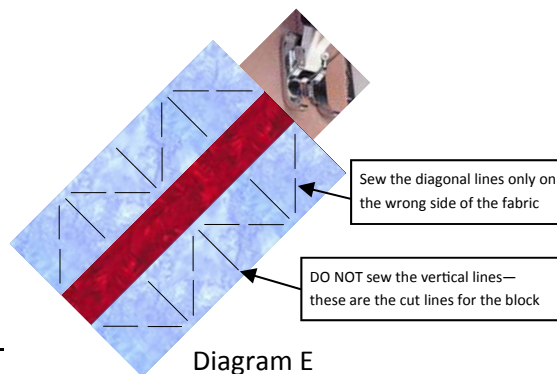


Diagram E

Finishing the Blocks

- Take the fabric to your cutting mat.
- Cut the four units apart using a straight edge and rotary cutter following the vertical lines. See Diagram F
- Press the triangle open toward the outside corner of the rectangle.
- Cut off the “ears” behind the corner triangles leaving a 1/4” seam allowance. The four finished Sticks and Stones blocks can be seen in Diagram G.

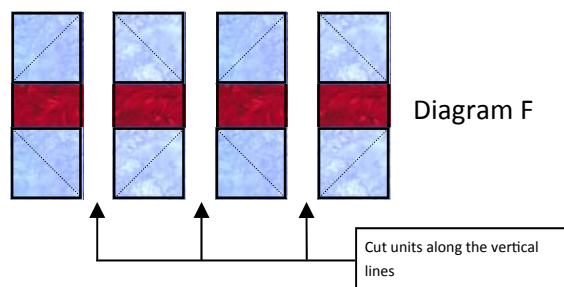


Diagram F

More Tips and Techniques

The Sticks and Stones ruler can also be used to make more than just 4 units at a time — very easily, accurately, and rapidly — just make longer strips and mover the ruler over to mark more sew and cut lines.

Visit www.rulerrevolution.com to see videos on how to make the additional Sticks and Stones units shown in Diagram H.

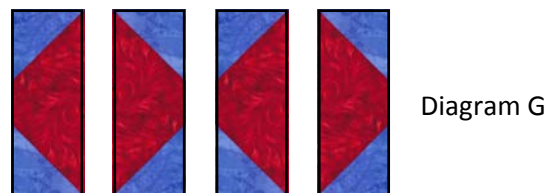


Diagram G

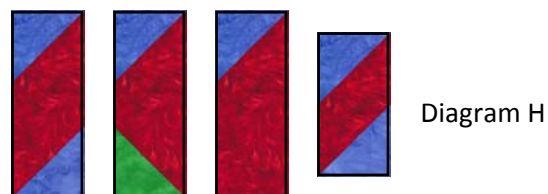


Diagram H

Ask for other Ruler Revolution rulers and patterns at your favorite quilt shops:

- 24 in 24 Half-Square Triangle ruler
 - 24 in 24 Mini Half-Square Triangle ruler
 - Leaf Stem ruler
 - 3 x 3 Snowball ruler
 - 4 x 4 Snowball ruler
- Covered under one or more U.S. patents 8,186,072, 8,186,073, and/or other pending patents.

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